

INTERVIEW SUMMARY AND REMARKS

A telephone interview was held with the Examiner on June 17, 2008. The inventor David Scott, the undersigned and Examiner Porter were in attendance. During the telephone conference, Applicant repeatedly argued and explained that *Otis* does not remotely suggest Applicant's invention. Of the many distinctions, the greatest is the fact that *Otis* describes a two part insurance policy obtained after the satellite was launched into orbit. Conversely, Applicant's invention is directed to a method of insuring against satellite launch failure which obviously must be obtained before the satellite is launched into orbit. To clarify this distinction, Applicant has added the language that the insurance policy is obtained prior to launching the satellite from Earth.

An additional distinction between Applicant's invention and the prior art *Otis* reference is that *Otis* describes an insurance policy that provides for the payment of money to the insured in the event of a satellite failure (not launch failure), as opposed to the policy providing for a rescue mission provision specifying that a rescue mission be conducted for moving a satellite from an unintended orbit to an intended operational orbit.

These two limitations are the heart and soul of Applicant's invention and yet are nowhere suggested within *Otis*. Thus, Applicant's claimed invention is believed allowable and notice thereof is requested.

During the telephone interview, the Examiner suggested that the language concerning the rescue mission was not particularly limiting. In response, Applicant points out that Applicant describes various types of rescue missions on pages 8 - 9 and 25 - 32. Therefore, Applicant believes that it would be unnecessarily and unduly limiting for Applicant to limit the claims to a single rescue mission.

CONCLUSION

As explained above, the prior art nowhere describes or suggests Applicant's invention. Accordingly, Claims 8 - 12 are believed allowable and notice thereof is respectfully requested. If there are any remaining issues that need to be resolved, it is requested that a telephone call be placed to the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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